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AMEMBASSY DOHA

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FOLLOWING REPEAT GENEVA 6677 ACTION STATE MAY 2.

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SUBJ: WHO/ILO CONFERENCES

FROM AMB VANDEN HEUVEL

1. AMBASSADOR BARROMI OF ISRAEL AND HIS WHO/ILO ATTACHE RUTH RAEI VISITED WITH ME TODAY TO DISCUSS THE IMPENDING WHO/ILO CONFERENCES. BARROMI INDICATED THAT THE VALTICOS MISSION FOR THE ILO WAS SUCCESSFUL, PROVIDING A USEFUL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND IDEAS. HE EXPECTED THE VALTICOS REPORT TO BE RESTRAINED AND CONSTRUCTIVE BUT REMAINS CONCERNED AS TO THE INITIATIVES THAT WILL BE TAKEN BY THE ARAB COUNTRIES. WE PROMISED TO WATCH THE SITUATION CAREFULLY AND TO BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE.

2. REGARDING WHO ASSEMBLY BARROMI HAS MET WITH THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ROMANIAN AMB WHOSE COUNTRY WAS REPRESENTED ON THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS THAT RECENTLY COMPLETED ITS VISIT TO THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. HE FEELS THAT MOST OF THE REPORT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE AND EXPRESSED ONLY ONE SIGNIFICANT RESERVATION, NAMELY, TO THE REPORTED PRESENCE OF "MENTAL DEPRESSION" AMONG VARIOUS GROUPS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, LINKING IT TO THE OCCUPIED STATUS. THE ROMANIAN AMB TOLD HIM THAT HE HOPED THAT ARTICLE 7 WOULD NOT BE INVOKED WHICH WOULD RESULT IN SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL'S PARTICIPATION IN WHO. THE ISRAELIS ARE CONCERNED, HOWEVER, ABOUT THE NATURE AND TONE OF THE EXPECTED RESOLUTION IN RESPONSE TO THE REPORT. WE WILL ASSIGN OUR POLITICAL OFFICER TO FOLLOW THE PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEE B SO THAT WE CAN INFLUENCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. WE ALSO STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT REPRESENTATIONS BE MADE AMONG SOME OF THE KEY G-77 COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY SENEGAL, NIGERIA, ZAIRE, KENYA, MEXICO, BRAZIL, INDIAN, VENEZUELA, THE PHILIPPINES AND INDONESIA. WE SHOULD BE CERTAIN THAT HEALTH MINISTRY OFFICIALS AS WELL AS FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM. THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, OTHER WESTERN EUROPEAN NATIONS, AND CANADA

SHOULD BE ALERTED TO THE PROBLEM AND ASKED TO WORK
TOWARD A CONSTRUCTIVE RESOLUTION. IN OUR RECENT
CONVERSATION WITH DR. MAHLER HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT
THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS WOULD
FINISH THE MATTER AS AN AGENDA ITEM AND THAT THE
ASSEMBLY WOULD REFER ITS CONTINUING INTEREST IN THE
PROBLEM TO HIS OFFICE (SEE GENEVA 6416). WE WILL
SUPPORT THIS VIEWPOINT AS STRONGLY AS POSSIBLEIBLE.
VANDEN HEUVEL UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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